

**TITLE 20—DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
AND INSURANCE
Division 2270—Missouri Veterinary Medical Board
Chapter 2—Licensure Requirements for Veterinarians**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

20 CSR 2270-3.020 Examinations. The board is deleting section (4), renumbering as necessary and amending newly renumbered sections (4), (5), and (6).

PURPOSE: This amendment updates language to comply with changes made by the national examination organization.

[(4) The VTNE and the Missouri State Board Examination shall be administered at least once each year.]

[(5)](4) [Effective December 31, 2010, a]An applicant may apply for the examinations during his/her final semester of college[; however, to be eligible to sit for the VTNE, the applicant must provide official documentation from the college verifying to the board that the applicant has graduated]. However, no certificate of registration will be issued until an official transcript verifying receipt of the degree is received by the board office sent directly by the degree granting institution. It shall be the applicant's responsibility to arrange with the school or college for the transmitting of the official transcript to the board office.

[(6)](5) Any applicant who fails either of the required examinations for registration as a veterinary technician may retake the failed examination(s) by [notifying] making application to the board office and paying the appropriate nonrefundable examination fee and registration fee [by the applicable deadline dates of the board]. Test scores are valid and will be accepted by the board for a period not to exceed five (5) years.

[(7)](6) Effective August 28, 1999, no person may take either examination more than four (4) times either in or out of Missouri to qualify for registration in Missouri. Prior to making application for the fourth attempt at passage of an examination, the applicant shall schedule an appearance with the board to outline a continuing education program, which shall be board-approved and completed prior to filing application for the subsequent examination.

*AUTHORITY: sections 340.210, 340.300, 340.302, and 340.308, RSMo 2016. * This rule originally filed as 4 CSR 270-3.020. Original rule filed Nov. 4, 1992, effective July 8, 1993. For intervening history, please consult the **Code of State Regulations**. Amended: Filed July 15, 2025.*

PUBLIC COST: This proposed amendment will not cost state agencies or political subdivisions more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

PRIVATE ENTITY COST: This proposed amendment will not cost private entities more than five hundred dollars (\$500) in the aggregate.

*NOTICE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS: Anyone may file a statement in support of or in opposition to this proposed amendment with the Missouri Veterinary Medical Board, PO Box 633, Jefferson City, MO 65102, via facsimile at (573) 526-3856, or via email at vets@pr.mo.gov. To be considered, comments must be received within thirty (30) days after publication of this notice in the **Missouri Register**. No public hearing is scheduled.*